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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Jocelyn G. Boyd, Esquire Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re:

Application of Smart Communications Holding, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Intrastate Resold and Institutional Telecommunications Services in the State of South Carolina

Docket No. 2019-255-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has reviewed the Application of Smart Communications Holding, Inc. (the "Company") and believes that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") granting the Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity requested is consistent with the public interest.

The ORS Audit and Telecommunications Departments reviewed the Company's application and filings to assess the Company's financial, technical and managerial resources. The Company agrees to keep on file at all times with the Commission and ORS a current price list to provide customers with information from which they may determine the Company's actual rates charged for inmate calling. Based on these reviews, ORS has concluded that the Company possesses the resources needed to provide the services requested and that the Company's request for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity is consistent with the public interest. *See* S.C. Code § 58-9-280.

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ORS does not intend to attend the hearing scheduled in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Lessie Hammonds

cc: Joseph Melchers, Esquire All Parties of Record